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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT - PARA 1)

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SUBJ: SUPPORT FOR NEW PANAMA TREATIES--GOE STATEMENT

REF: (A) STATE 212912, (B) CAIRO 14793 (NOTAL)

1. IN MY MEETING WITH FAHMY TODAY, I ASKED ABOUT PROMISED GOE STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR NEW PANAMA CANAL TREATIES. HE HAD A STATEMENT READY, WHICH HE SAID HAD BEEN DRAFTED BY HIS CHEF DE CABINET, USAMA AL-BAZ, AND WHICH HE HAD PERSONALLY EXTENDED. STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED BY MFA AT 1900 LOCAL (1700 GMT) TONIGHT. IT HAS ALSO BEEN SENT TO AMBASSADOR GHORBAL WITH AUTHORIZATION TO READ IT AT TONIGHT'S SIGNING CEREMONY IN WASHINGTON. FAHMY GAVE ME ARABIC TEXT OF STATEMENT.

2. UNOFFICIAL ENGLISH TRANSLATION MADE BY EMBASSY IS SET FORTH BELOW:

QUOTE: PRESIDENT MOHAMED ANWAR EL SADAT PRESENTS HIS CONGRATULATIONS TO PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER AND TO PRESIDENT OMAR TORRIJOS ON THE OCCASION OF THE AGREEMENT
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REACHED BETWEEN THE USA AND PANAMA CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF THE PANAMA CANAL AND ITS PERMANENT NEUTRALITY.

EGYPT HAS ALWAYS ADVOCATED ORGANIZING INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN THE VARIOUS SPHERES IN A SPIRIT OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND CONSENT, WITHOUT EXPLOITATION, PRESSURE AND COMPULSION.

FROM THIS STARTING POINT, EGYPT WELCOMES THE NEW

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE USA AND PANAMA, AND HOPES THAT IT
WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN A SPIRIT OF EQUALITY AND RESPECT
FOR SOVEREIGNTY, AND THAT IT WILL ENCOURAGE INTERNATIONAL
NAVIGATION AND THE EXCHANGE OF PEOPLES, IN ORDER TO
ENHANCE THE WELFARE AND HAPPINESS OF ALL NATIONS. UNQUOTE

3. FOR PANAMA CITY: WITH FAHMY'S APPROVAL, HAVE ADVISED
PANAMANIAN AMBASSADOR SANCHEZ-GALAN OF ABOVE. IN VIEW OF
LATTER'S COMMUNICATIONS DIFFICULTIES, HAVE INFORMED HIS
OFFICE THAT I WOULD ASK YOU MAKE GOE STATEMENT AVAILABLE
TO PANAMANIAN MFA ASAP WITH AN INDICATION THAT AMBASSADOR
SANCHEZ-GALAN HAS REQUESTED US TO DO SO.
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